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# **Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)**

Free Service for Nonprofits. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

# **Special Announcements**

**Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI) Applications Now Available.** The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) announces that applications are now available for the 2005-2006 SPI Class. SPI is a free training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and

attendance requirements. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available at <a href="www.opgd.dc.gov">www.opgd.dc.gov</a>. They also may be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North, Washington, DC. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

# **Federal Opportunities**

#### Conference on Collective Efforts to Provide Health and Safety Information on HPV

**Chemicals**. *Environmental Protection Agency* announces funds to plan and conduct a National Conference. EPA will work cooperatively with the selected organization to build a broader capacity for chemical data users to work towards conducting their own research and solving their own chemicalinformation related issues. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is July 5, 2005. Approximately \$320,000 is available to fund awards up to \$160,000. For further information, contact Karen Hoffman at (202) 564-8158 or hoffman.karen@epa.gov; or go to: http://www.epa.gov/chemrtk/finalrfa.htm.

Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC). Department of the Treasury announces funds to organizations providing: (1) representation of low income taxpayers in controversies with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS); and/or (2) programs to inform individuals for whom English is a second language. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations



and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is July 25, 2005. Awards up to \$100,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact Debra Chandler at (404) 338-8306 or <a href="mailto:LITCProgramOffice@irs.gov">LITCProgramOffice@irs.gov</a>; or go to: <a href="http://www.irs.gov/advocate/article/0,.id=136808,00.html">http://www.irs.gov/advocate/article/0,.id=136808,00.html</a>.

#### **National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights**

**Projects**. *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to build and strengthen the national system of legal assistance and improve the quality and accessibility of legal assistance provided to older people. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is July 8, 2005. Approximately \$2.25 million is available to fund 5 awards up to \$150,000. A match is required. For further information, go to: http://www.aoa.gov/doingbus/fundopp/fundopp.asp.

#### Partnerships for Hepatitis C Vaccine

**Development**. Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to stimulate the development of vaccines against infection of Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) and its chronic sequelae. Research may include, but is not limited to, one or more of the following: 1) the design and construction of vaccines against HCV infection; 2) preclinical evaluation of vaccine candidates; and 3) pilot scale manufacture of vaccine candidates. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations other than small businesses and small businesses. The deadline for applications is October 17, 2005. Approximately \$2 million is available to fund 2 awards. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV; or go to: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-05-030.html.

**Refugee School Impact**. Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to support local school systems that are impacted by significant numbers of refugee children. Eligible applicants include state governments and others. The deadline for applications is June 17, 2005. Approximately \$15 million is available to fund 37 awards, ranging from

\$100,000-\$2 million. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-ORR-ZE-0097.html">http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-ORR-ZE-0097.html</a>.

## **District Opportunities**

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, East of the River Arts Initiative, June 2, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), State Office of Even Start Family Literacy Programs, FY 2005 Even Start Family Literacy Grant, June 2, 2005 for Continuation Grants and June 16, 2005 for New Applicants, at 4:00 p.m.

Department of Housing and Community Development, Housing, June 3, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, VAF Shelter Initiative, June 3, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, VAF Victim Service Center, June 3, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Department of Human Services/Income Maintenance Administration, Mini-Subgrants to Small Non-Profit Community-Based Organizations, June 7, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, Arts Learning & Outreach: Arts Education Projects, June 8, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, City Arts Projects, June 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, Grants-in-Aid to Organizations, June 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, June 24, September 23, and December 22, 2005.



DC Public Schools, 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC), July 19, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

Department of Human Services, FY 2006 Teen Pregnancy Prevention Grant, July 25, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

# **Foundation Opportunities**

Childhood Language Disorders. The Bamford-Lahey Children's Foundation announces funds for projects designed to enhance the language development of children who have difficulty learning their native language. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2005. Awards up to \$20,000 are available. For further information, contact the foundation at <a href="mailto:info@bamford-lahey.org">info@bamford-lahey.org</a>; or go to: <a href="mailto:http://www.bamford-lahey.org/index.html">http://www.bamford-lahey.org/index.html</a>.

Environmental. Captain Planet Foundation supports hands-on environmental projects that empower children and youth to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Eligible applicants include independent school districts and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2005. Awards ranging from \$500-\$2,500 are available. For further information, go to: http://www.captainplanetfdn.org/aboutUs.html.

River Community Projects. The Anacostia Waterfront Corporation (AWC) announces funds for community events and projects that reconnect residents and neighborhoods to the Anacostia River and generate activity along its shores. Projects should focus on linking east of the river neighborhoods to the Anacostia Waterfront and stress youth participation. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is June 10, 2005. Approximately \$150,000 is available to fund awards ranging from \$2,500-\$25,000. For further information, contact Melissa McKnight at waterfront@dc.gov; or go to: http://www.anacostiawaterfront.net/.

Samuel Harris Fund for Children's Dental Health Dentistry Grant Program. The American Dental Association Foundation (ADAF) announces the availability of funds to help children whose socioeconomic status impacts their access to professional oral care and adversely affects their oral health habits. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is July 8, 2005. Awards up to \$5,000 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.ada.org/ada/prod/adaf/programs.asp">http://www.ada.org/ada/prod/adaf/programs.asp</a>.

### **Resources & Announcements**

**Resource Center.** *Convio's* online center provides nonprofit professionals with the latest online best practices tips and insights on how to attract constituents, drive action, and build loyalty through online relationship management. For further information go to:

http://www.convio.com/site/PageServer?pagename=rc\_main.

Free Search Tools to Nonprofits. *Google*, through its new Public Service Search section, is offering nonprofit organizations two free search tools for use on their websites: SiteSearch, for searching within sites; and WebSearch, enabling users to search the Internet by keyword. The new, free service also offers traffic reports, unlimited queries, and allows for customization. No banner ads or other paid advertising will show on search result pages. For further information, go to:

http://services.google.com/publicservice/login.

Grantseeking Basics. *The Foundation Center* offers a basic orientation to the funding research process with its Grantseeking Basics training. This session, designed for beginners, provides instruction in foundation research and identification of potential funders and is followed by a tour of the library. The orientation will take place June 7, 2005, 5:00 p.m-6:30 p.m., at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC. For further information or to register, call (202) 331-1400; or go to: http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/gbdc.html.

**Lead Safe Washington Program.** Department of Housing and Community Development provides funds and technical assistance to reduce lead-based paint hazards and achieve lead-based paint related



compliance with local and federal law. Eligible applicants include low-to-moderate income single-family homeowners and rental property owners. For more information, call (202) 535-1934.

New Community Service Initiative. *The Verizon Foundation* launched an online initiative designed to help nonprofit organizations operate more efficiently. The online center provides free access to a national database of technology resources that include an online library, research papers, articles and specialists who can assist nonprofits in running their business operations more efficiently. For further information, go to: <a href="http://foundation.verizon.com/resourcecenter">http://foundation.verizon.com/resourcecenter</a>.

Nonprofit Rules of Money and Finance. The Nonprofit Quarterly published an article by Clara Miller based on a presentation she gave to a group of foundation representatives. The talk, presented as a true/false test, challenged attendees to look at the rules of money and finance that govern the nonprofit sector in comparison to the for-profit sector. To take the test and review the article; go to: http://www.nonprofitquarterly.org/section/704.html

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